

Purpose and what we heard at the Regional Safety Summits

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Welcome to the Executive Safety Leadership Summit

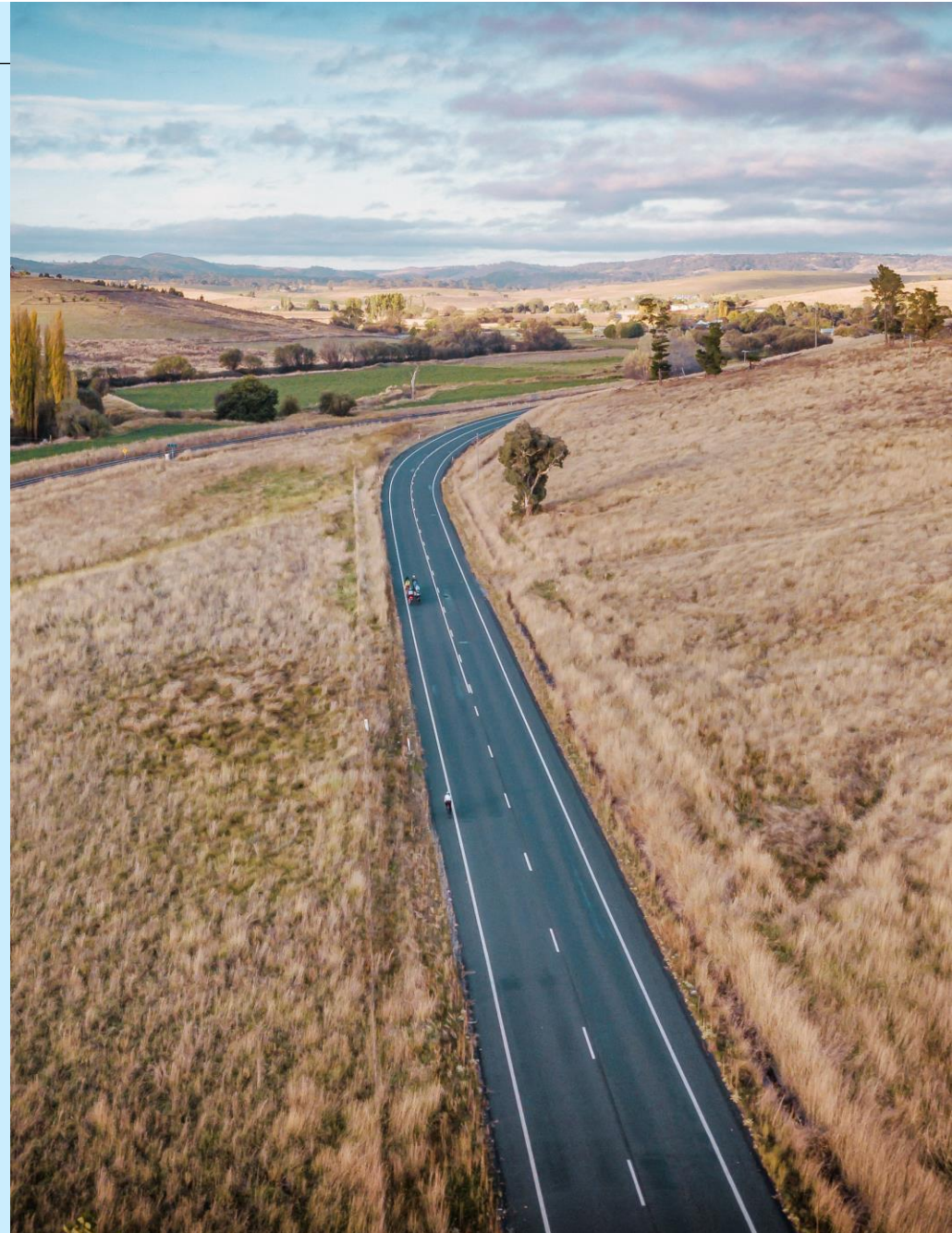
- Transport for NSW and Local Government working together to create an enduring safety culture
- Building a solid base for a united approach to work health and safety.

Why are we here today?



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Enforceable Undertaking





What will we discuss today?

- Safety culture and leadership
- Due diligence and leadership
- Risks and effective risk management principles
- RMCC audit
- Feedback from the Regional Safety Summits
- Common Commitment

Regional Safety Summits

- Transport for NSW held a series of Regional Safety Summits across NSW from 30 May – 5 July 2023.
- The roadshow consisted of nine summits held across regional NSW, that were aimed at local council staff and managers.

We engaged a total of 607 guests.

Bathurst: 54 attendees

Dubbo: 79 attendees

Bourke: 31 attendees

Coffs Harbour: 65 attendees

Tamworth: 65 attendees

Cessnock: 101 attendees

Ulladulla: 34 attendees

Queanbeyan: 86 attendees

Griffith: 92 attendees



What did your operational staff tell us at the Regional Safety Summits?

Hazards

We asked attendees to list the **top five WHS hazards managed in their workplace**



Risks

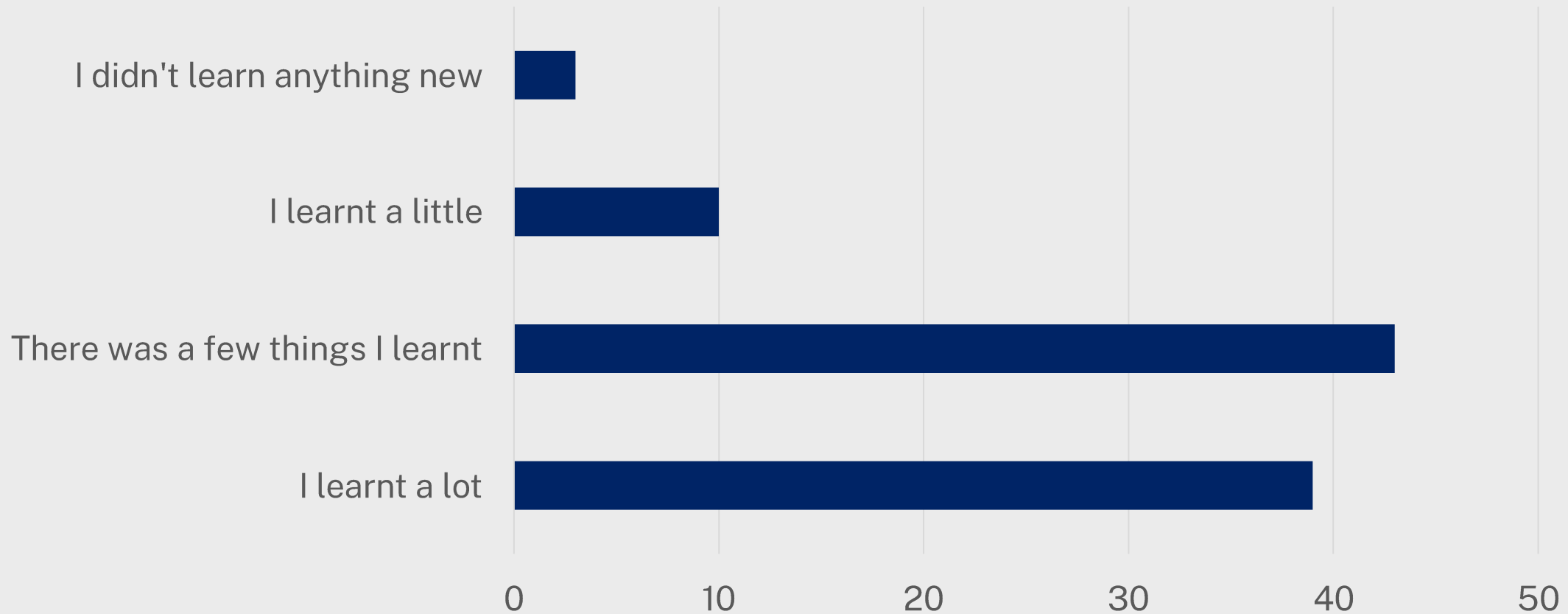
We also asked attendees to **list the top five WHS risks managed in their workplace**



Awareness and knowledge

86%

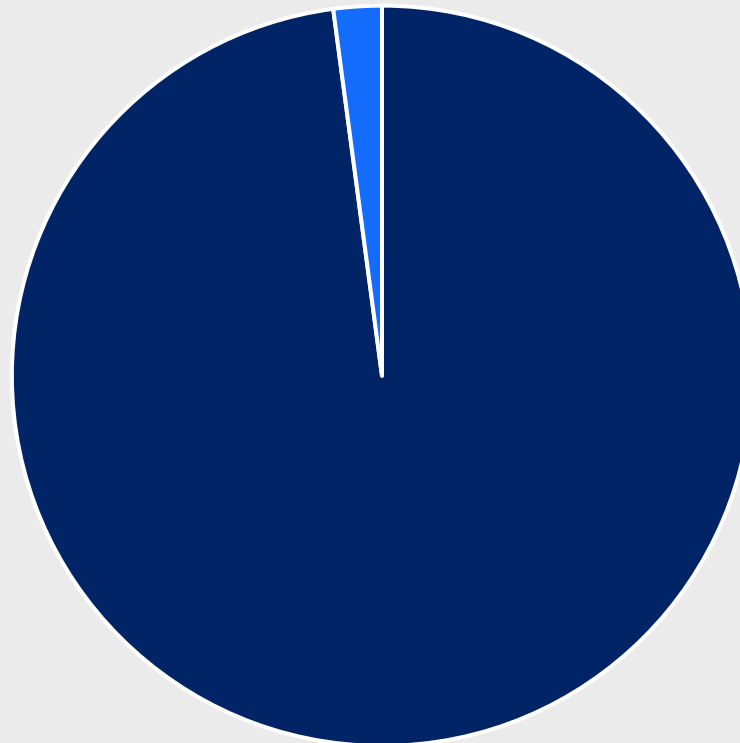
Did you increase your knowledge and understanding of WHS legislation at the summit?



Awareness and knowledge

98%

Following the summit, will you consider WHS requirements more often when making worksite or business decisions?

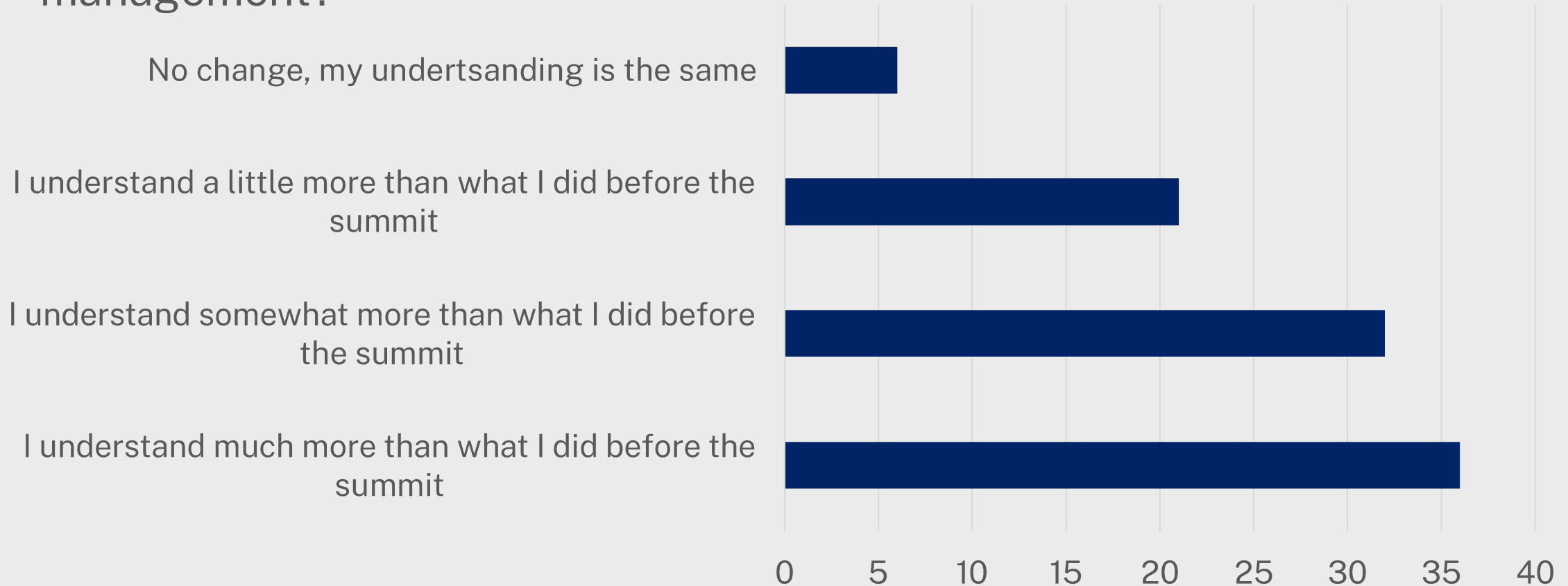


■ Yes ■ No

Awareness and knowledge

94%

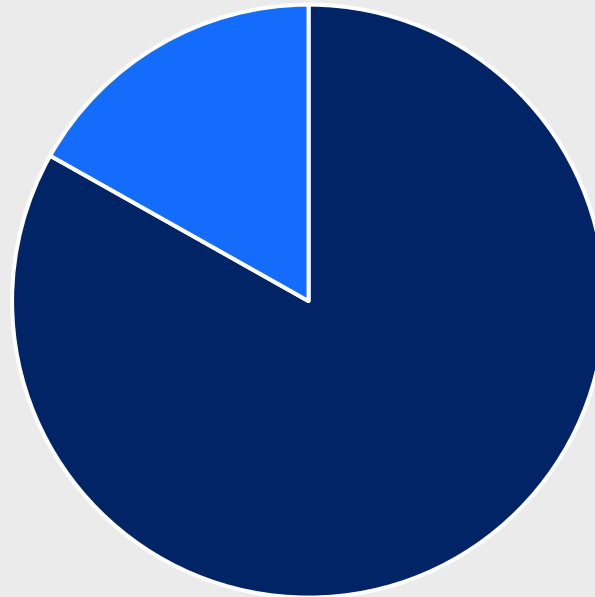
Do you have a better understanding of the purpose of WHS management?



Behaviour change

83%

Is your organisation likely to consider a review of your Safety Management Systems as a result of the summit?

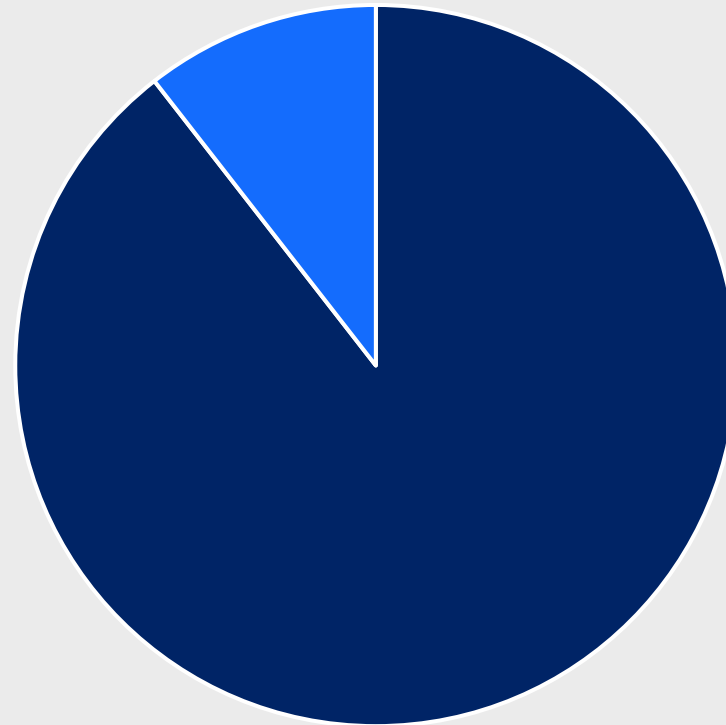


■ Yes ■ No

Behaviour change

87%

Did the summit provide you with the information or tools to help you manage your top five WHS hazards?

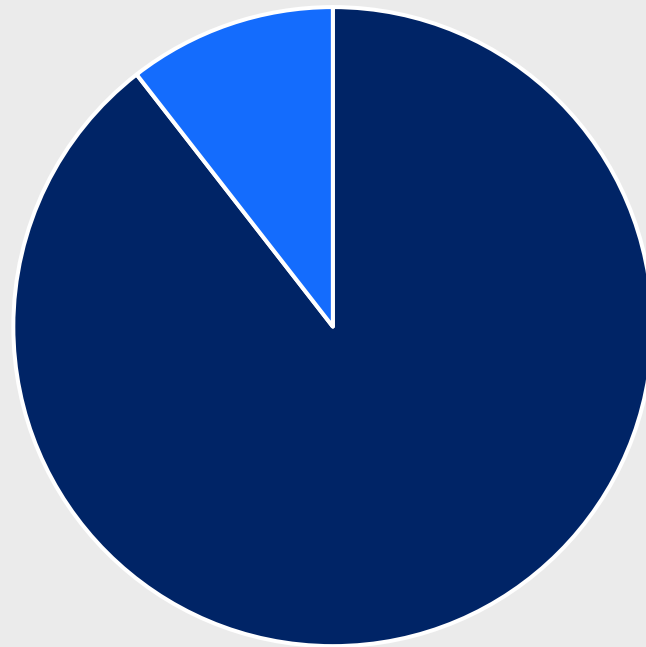


■ Yes ■ No

Behaviour change

89%

Did the summit provide you with the information or tools to help you manage your top five WHS risks?



■ Yes ■ No

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Integrated Management Systems & WHSMS Maturity model

- Leadership
- Hazard identification and risk management
- Infrastructure plant and equipment
- Incident management
- Contractor and supplier management





Feedback

- Complacency
- Resourcing
- Inconsistency
- Confusion
- Documentation
- Collaboration
- Education and training
- Information sharing



Issues

- ‘WHS officers...hands tied by management...’
- ‘SafeWork is telling council to put less information into SWMS...TfNSW is asking for more information...’
- ‘Documents are too generic...’
- ‘Pressure to deliver RMCC works as Principal Contractor...don't have direct expertise...’
- ‘WHS & Risk is undervalued...and not resourced...’
- ‘RMCC project managers (council) continue to push "getting the job done"... compromising safety...’

Recommendations

- ‘Use TfNSW speed cameras to change driver behaviour...’
- ‘Technology – Cameras fitted to portable traffic control devices, CCTV at stop points...’
- ‘External auditing of procedures and processes...’
- ‘List of consultants to assist councils...’
- ‘TfNSW to explore ways to help councils to improve...’
- ‘Contractor forums... with council and transport.’
- ‘Share RMCC audit results...’



Next steps with the Regional Safety Summits



A Common Commitment to Work Health and Safety

This common commitment has been developed by Transport for NSW and NSW regional councils following the nine Regional Safety Summits.

Our common commitment:

- Together we will take every reasonable step to ensure we provide a healthy and safe workplace for all workers, contractors, suppliers and visitors involved in our work sites across NSW.

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Common Commitment to Work, Health and Safety for Transport for NSW and NSW Regional Councils

Purpose:

This is our common commitment to work together to improve work safe work practices and leadership particularly in relation to temporary works on NSW roads and bridges.

The common commitment helps us support each other to enhance our health and safety systems and upskill our workers by sharing information between our organisations and having regular safety conversations.

This is in line with the NSW Work Health and Safety Act, Regulations, specified Australian Standards and Codes of Practice and industry best practice.

Through making this commitment senior leadership in all organisations are making a tangible commitment to safety excellence and leadership.

Our common commitment:

Together we will take every reasonable step to ensure we provide a healthy and safe workplace for all workers, contractors, suppliers and visitors involved in our work sites across NSW.

We will deliver our common commitment by:

- Fostering a positive safety culture across our organisations through pro-active safety leadership
- Building collaboration between our organisations by sharing safety knowledge, systems and experiences
- Promoting continuous improvement in our operations through constructive review of safety performance
- Lifting capacity across the industry by creating and sharing training resources that enhance safety standards, safe work practices and upskill our workers.

We commit to communicating regularly on issues of work, health, and safety at all levels across our organisations with the aim of reducing road worker injury and death across the state of NSW.

Thank you

